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Property Crimes in the Foothills Area Command January 25 - 28, 2019

2 Armed Robberies/Commercial: 10300-block of Candelaria Rd NE, 600-block of Chelwood Park Blvd NE.

2 Warm Up Auto Thefts: 14100-block of Sedrev Rd NE (left vehicle running unattended with keys inside, employee access badge, fuel credit card), 12900-block of Turquoise Ave NE (left unattended vehicle running for 2 minutes and window broken to steal the vehicle with the keys left inside, a drill set, and a hunting knife). ***100% Preventable Crime – it's hard to believe people are still leaving vehicles running, keys inside and walking away assuming this type of crime will not happen to them.***

11 Stolen Vehicles: 11400-block of Morocco Rd NE, 2 incidents at different locations on the 800-block of Eubank Blvd NE, 12400-block of Cloudview Ave NE, 2500-block of Chelwood Park Blvd NE, 10100-block of Baldwin Ave NE, 1100-block of Tomasita St NE, 900-block of Nakomis Dr NE, 11000-block of Menaul Blvd NE, 12900-block of Central Ave NE, 5000-block of Basin St NE.

1 Commercial Burglary: 10300-block of Menaul Blvd NE.

4 Residential Burglaries: 1100-block of Morris St NE, 1800-block of Gretta St NE, 10100-block of Propps Dr NE, 10200-block of Propps Dr NE. ***Three of four entries were by breaking down doors at the back of homes; one 38 Special firearm stolen.***

5 Auto Burglaries: 200-block of Tramway Blvd SE (punched out door lock and left vehicle damage in failed attempt to steal the vehicle), 11500-block of Love Ave NE (damaged door lock and left vehicle damage in failed attempt to steal the vehicle and let it roll down the block), 12100-block of Hickory Ct NE (broke window to steal a briefcase left on the front seat), 1000-block of Monte Largo Dr NE (broke window to make entry/no further info), 5200-block of Overlook Dr NE (broke window and tried to pry door open to steal wallet left in center console's cup holder).

Over the weekend (Fri-Sat-Sun) the auto thefts were our major property crime issue. The 2 'warm up' auto thefts were 100% preventable – these occur every winter. A vehicle left running with the keys inside is a giant RED FLAG to an auto thief. The large number of auto thefts in the Foothills Area Command over the weekend is a wake-up call to our community to start hardening that target: parking in a secured space/garage, locking up, checking into anti-theft devices, parking under good lighting if you don't have a garage to use, clearing out the vehicle of anything visible or with personal information on it.

Be safe! Jill Garcia, Crime Prevention Specialist / IPCS, NCPS – Albuquerque Police Department, Foothills Area Command